

Richmond Hill Baptist Church
June 12, 2011
Impossible (Acts 2:23-24)

Prelude & Prayer Time

Call to Worship: *My Savior, My God*

Welcome: Welcome it is good to see you. If you are a guest thank you for joining us today. Please fill out a Connect Card and place it in the offering plate when it comes by.

We have new church directories in the mail boxes. I want to thank Estella Petzold, Jenny Valera, Kim Deren, Barry & Jennifer Pendergast, Carol Rodine, and Sheryl Kaine for their assistance on this project. We hope you will use this directory to make a new friend, serve and get to know one another.

Let's take a moment and greet one another.

Sing: *I Saw the Light, Revelation Song, Forevermore*

Children's Corner: (Alyssa)

Offering: CNBC (Messengers, Pictures, Cubans, Mission Focus, Volunteer Sign Up, Engage, Equip)

Offertory: *You Are For Me*

Sermon: Impossible

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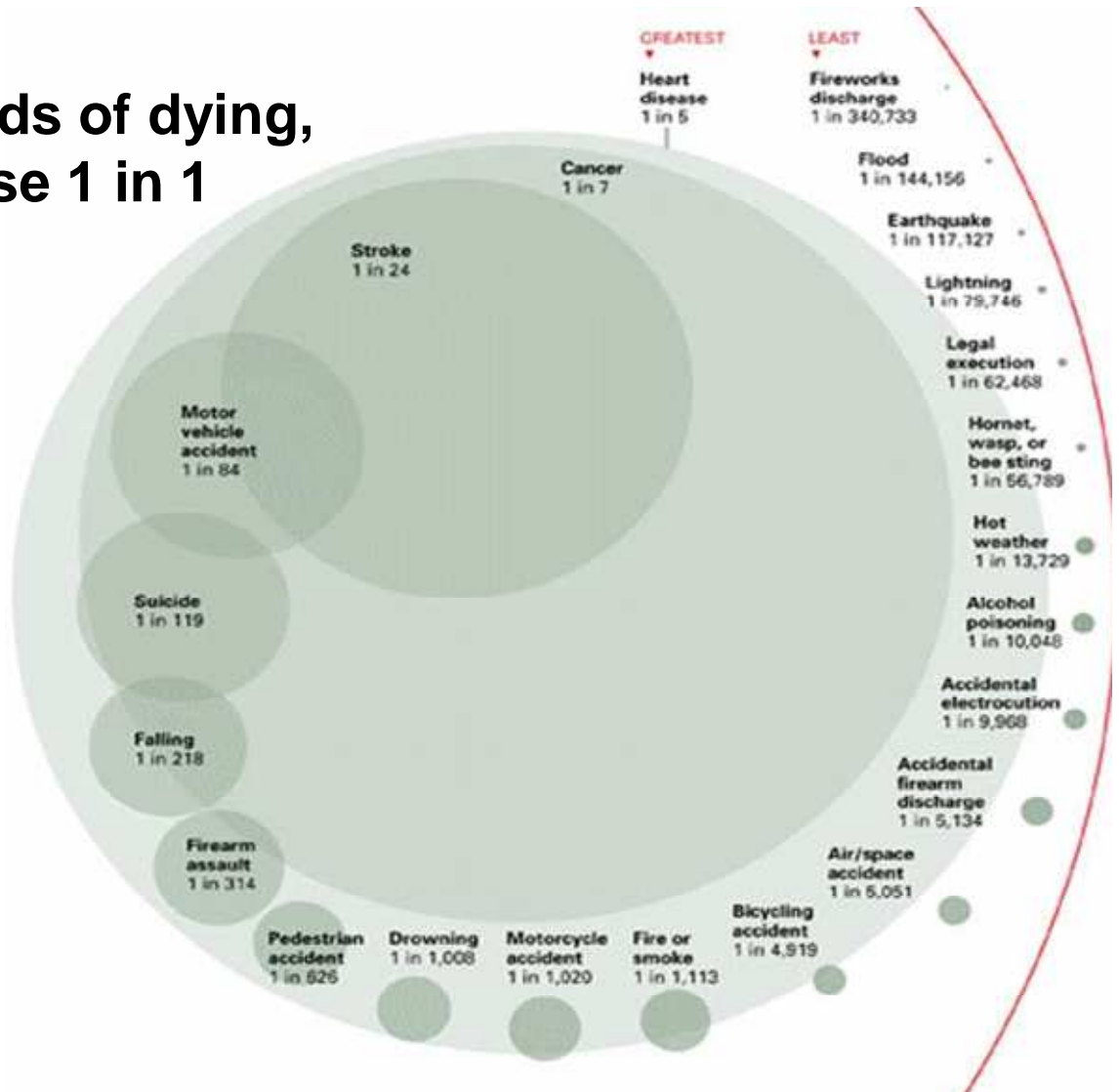
Day of Pentecost (50 Days after Easter)

Acts 2:22-24: *"Men of Israel, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. ²³ This man was handed over to you by God's set purpose and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. ²⁴ But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him.*

οἱ κεν οὐ δυνατὸν (not it was possible)

In the mathematics of probability, an **impossible event** is an event A with probability zero, or $\Pr(A) = 0$.

**Total odds of dying,
any cause 1 in 1
(100%)**



What are the odds of dying on cross? Legal Execution: 1 in 62,468

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Jesus died for a purpose. He died for our sin so that we could have eternal life.

John 10:28: *I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand.*

Eternal life comes only through Christ. We cannot save ourselves.

The probability of us being able to save ourselves is 0. But God can save us.

Luke 18:27: *Jesus replied, "What is impossible with men is possible with God."*

What impossible things are you facing? Our God is a God of possibilities he can do what we cannot.

Acts 2:24: *“But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him.”*

Acts 2:38:

Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Repent (U-turn): go God’s way!

The Lord’s Supper:

If you are a believer of like faith and practice we invite you to join us in the Lord’s Supper.

Would our servers please join me at the table?

The Bread

The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread,²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.”

Prayer: Father we thank you for Jesus and we thank you for Jesus death on the cross. As we eat this bread remind us of your great love, your great sacrifice, and your great power over death. In Jesus Name we pray Amen.

Serve the Bread – In remembrance of Christ take and eat this bread. (*Down at the Cross*)

The Cup

²⁵ In the same way, after supper he (Jesus) took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”²⁶ For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

Prayer: Father we thank you for Jesus and the forgiveness we have through him because of his blood that was shed on the cross. As we drink this cup remind us of your great salvation, your forgiveness of sin, and your power over death. In Jesus name we pray Amen.

Serve the Juice – In remembrance of Christ take and drink this cup. Please pass your cups to the inside row and we will pick them up later. (*Once Again*)

Connect Class Leaders the sun is out and your picnic is still on.

It was impossible for death to keep Christ down and nothing will keep Him from Coming back one day. Would you please stand as we sing *One Day*?

Response: *One Day*